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**Togiak Herring
Announcement 5
Emergency Orders 5 and 6**

This is the Alaska Department of Fish & Game in Dillingham with an announcement regarding the Togiak herring fishery.

Due to concerns about the weather, we need to further adjust fishing area so both gear groups have opportunity.

Effective at 1:00 p.m. today, May 17, the eastern section of the open purse seine area is further reduced from a line perpendicular to the shore at 58° 50.50' north latitude to the longitude of the reef in Nunavachak Bay at 160° 00.05' west longitude. This makes the open area from 160° 00.05' west longitude to the longitude of Anchor Point at 160° 19.70' west longitude. The western section of the open area remains unchanged. As previously announced, the purse seine fishery remains open until 10:00 p.m. May 18.

Effective at 2:00 p.m. today, May 17, the open area for the gillnet fleet will be further increased to include additional area west of Right Hand Point. The new boundary is the longitude of the reef in Nunavachak Bay at 160° 00.05' west longitude. As previously announced, the gillnet fishery is open until further notice.

Fishermen are reminded that there has been no test fishing and we suggest testing with a small amount of net before gear is fully deployed.
The purse seine harvest so far is 2,355 tons of herring with an average weight of 344 grams and an average roe content of 10.3%.

This has been the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in Dillingham.

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